

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 19, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 32 as follows:

As shown in Fig. 1, the particles according to the present invention are characterized by an uncommonly high nebulization stability. The particle size distribution before (Fig. 1a) and after (Fig. 1b) nebulization remained virtually unchanged. RG 503 features a similar particle size distribution in its non-nebulized state (cf. Fig. 1c) as the claimed particles. After nebulization however, RG 503 features a strong affinity towards aggregation (Fig. 1 d), whereby the proportion of particles with a larger diameter increases significantly.